

MORE TESTIMONY

OF TORTURE OF FILIPINOS BY OUR SOLDIERS

HORRORS OF "WATER CURE"

Described by One of the Soldiers Who Witnessed Its Inflection Several Times—Filipinos' Dread of This Mode of Torture—Other Severe Means Used to Make the Natives Give Information—Further Testimony Before the Senate Committee Investigating This Matter.

Norfolk, Va., April 21.—John Nickerson, a returned Philippine soldier, says that he has frequently seen the "water cure" administered and states that on one occasion a detachment of soldiers gathered around the victim and burnt his body with cigars, hoping to make him reveal the spot where the bodies of five American soldiers were secreted. After this punishment the prisoner still declined. Finally the "water cure" was suggested. The man was thrown down and an army pistol placed in his mouth as a gag. Two barrels of water were then taken from a vile smelling swamp. This was poured down the throat of the prisoner. His body reached abnormal proportions. A soldier then stepped on the man to make the pain more excruciating. When released he directed them to the spot where the bodies of the Americans were secreted.

Nickerson says a native would rather be killed than suffer the "water cure," so intense is the agony.

Washington, April 21.—The senate committee on the Philippines today resumed the examination of witnesses in connection with the investigation of affairs in the Philippines islands.

Grover Flint, of Cambridge, Mass., who served as first lieutenant in the Thirty-fifth volunteer infantry, testified that early in May 1900 he had been a witness to the "water cure," as applied to the natives by the Maccabees scouts and that his own gone to get information as to the whereabouts of their guns. The guns were delivered. The following day some men of his own regiment applied the cure, but their act was without the authority of their commanding officers. The Maccabees at the time referred to were not under command of a commissioned officer, but under a sergeant of the United States army.

Mr. Flint had been, he said, a witness to at least twenty cases of "water cure." He never had seen any one die as a result of the cure, but had seen a hospital corps man working on a native who had been rendered unconscious.

Mr. Flint, in response to a question by Senator Dietrich, said he was present upon these occasions, "to draw the line on excesses." He did not recommend to his major that the practice cease, nor did he give any orders to his men to stop the torture.

The witness described the burning of small villages, the idea being, he said, to drive the people to the woods or to the town and concentrate them.

Where did the army borrow that from? inquired Senator Culberson.

"I saw it in Cuba," answered the witness, "under the authority of General Weyler."

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The progress of a bad cold toward galloping consumption may be terribly sudden. Don't let this fact frighten you, but when you begin to cough take Allen's Lung Balm, that stops the cough by curing the cold. Preparations containing opium, merely quiet the cough for a time. There is no narcotic drug in Allen's Lung Balm. Sold by all druggists.

IMPORTANT BASE BALL DECISION.

Reserve Clause in Contracts with Players Declared Valid.

Philadelphia, April 21.—The supreme court today reversed the decision of the court of common pleas in the case of Napoleon LaJoie versus the Philadelphia National League Base Ball Club. This decision upholds the validity of the reserve clauses in the National League contracts. LaJoie, who formerly played second base for the National League Club in this city, signed with the Philadelphia American League Club for the season of 1901 and 1902. The Philadelphia Base Ball Club, through Treasurer L. Rogers entered suit to restrain LaJoie from playing with the American League. The lower court held that the reserve clause was illegal and Colonel Rogers carried the case to the supreme court where the decision was reversed. If this decision stands it will affect all players who were subject to reserve rule and who are now playing with the American League.

Manager Shethline of the Philadelphia National League Club said today:

"It is likely that all National League players now playing with the American League will be ordered to report at once at the National League grounds and in the event of their failing to do so, suits will be brought in the cities in which they are now playing, asking for an injunction restraining them from taking part in any American League games."

FAT NERVES.

A whirl of excitement was recently caused among scientists by the discovery of "how nerves act."

Healthy nerves are fat nerves. It is fat in the core of a nerve that by hardening and softening creates nerve action.

Maybe this explains why Scott's Emulsion has always been such a remarkable remedy for nervousness,

Scott's Emulsion makes fat nerves. It feeds them with fat. Good for all forms of nervousness and for neuralgia.

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Record of Hon. Charles R. Thomas.

(Sampson Democrat.)

Inasmuch as another congressional convention will be held during the present year to nominate a candidate for congress in the Third district, and as it is generally understood that Hon. Charles R. Thomas will be a candidate for renomination, we deem it proper and just, in view of his successful service rendered the third congressional district of North Carolina, to present to the people and our readers a brief statement of the work accomplished by him as the representative of this district.

It is just and right that the people should know now their representative has administered the trust reposed in him, and what his course has been since his election.

In 1898, Mr. Thomas was first elected to the fifty-sixth congress, reversing a large fusion majority, in which result his personal popularity with men of all parties and all classes was a most important element.

In 1900, he was re-elected by a largely increased majority. Notwithstanding this fact, and his defeat of the same opponent, in the same district in both campaigns, his second election was followed by a contest for his seat, which has been a source of much trouble and expense. These facts we believe the people will not forget, and that they alone are sufficient to entitle him to renomination by the democratic party. There is added to these facts the important, valuable, honest and efficient service he has rendered to the people of his district, there should not be the slightest opposition to his return to congress for another term. He is in a position to render still more effective service the next term by reason of his knowledge and experience and influence acquired during the fifty-sixth and fifty-seventh congresses. He will furthermore be unembarrassed by complications arising out of political contests.

In the fifty-sixth congress as well as in the fifty-seventh, Mr. Thomas has been constantly in attendance upon the sessions of the house. His record shows he has seldom been absent from his seat, and has never missed a vote upon the important questions, or failed to speak upon the floor in behalf of the interests of his state and district.

In the fifty-sixth congress among other important matters of legislation he passed the following bills for the third district:

Bill appropriating \$6,000 for repair of roadway to the National cemetery at Newbern.

Bill to establish terms of the United States circuit court at New Bern and Elizabeth city.

Bill increasing the pay of surmen in the Life Saving service.

Bill making appropriation to pay the New Bern Masonic lodge for the use and destruction of its property during the civil war.

Bills to pension Irving Johnson, Mrs. Mallard, of Jones county, and others.

He secured in the river and harbor bill appropriations and surveys for every river in his district.

He secured the incorporation in the omnibus bill to pay southern war claims of every bill presented by him on behalf of his constituents.

In the debate upon the floor of the house upon the many question early in the first session of the fifty-sixth congress, he spoke in opposition to the bill to change the gold standard.

He also, in accordance with his party's political platform, opposed the republican policy of imperialism in a speech highly complimented.

He also made speeches in behalf of the Masonic claim bill; bill for repair of roadway to National cemetery at New Bern; bill increasing pay of surmen in the Life Saving service; bill for improvement of the Cape Fear river between Wilmington and Fayetteville, and upon sundry other subjects—only of local, but of national importance.

In the fifty-seventh congress, which has been in session now for only about three months, the representative of the third district has already secured the passage of a bill establishing a life saving station at Bogue Inlet, Onslow county, N. C., which means the appropriation of more than \$25,000 for the construction of said station, and an annual pay roll of about \$6,000 for captain and crew to man the same.

He has also secured in the river and harbor bill liberal appropriations for all the rivers and harbors of his district, including survey of New River, Onslow county; Neuse river from Goldsboro to New Bern, and Carrot Island Slough, involving an expenditure by the government of several hundred thousand dollars.

In connection with the representative of the first district, Mr. Small, by personal influence, and by advocacy of the same upon the floor, he secured the incorporation in the Urgency Deficiency bill of an additional appropriation of \$12,500 for the Marine Biological station at Beaufort, N. C.

He also secured a favorable report for the construction of a revenue cutter of the first class, to be constructed at a cost of \$175,000, to navigate Pamlico and Albemarle sounds and Neuse river.

He will also secure favorable reports upon sundry pension bills and other claims.

In the matter of rural free delivery routes, Congressman Thomas has also been exceedingly active and urgent, and has succeeded in having a large number of such routes established in the third district in the counties of Craven, Sampson, Puddin and Onslow, and a petition is on file which will be pressed for the extension of the service elsewhere in the district.

For Carteret county the representative of the third district has been authorized to believe that he will secure an additional life saving station for which an appropriation has already been made by law to be erected at Beaufort. This station was authorized some time ago, but there was controversy as to the location of the Topsail Inlet. Mr. Thomas presented, after diligent search, such proofs to the superintendent of the Life Saving service as to convince him that this station should be built at or near Beaufort harbor.

This published statement represents in part the immense amount of successful work of our representative, and there is no question but that if he is returned, he will be able to do much more effective service, certainly better service than any new man, however able he may be.

Without criticizing or antagonizing any prospective candidate, we confidently believe that the failure to return the present incumbent to the next congress would be a great loss to the third district, and that if he is returned he will be able to return to his people in actual appropriations and benefits, even ten fold more than he has been able to do in the past.

Length of service gives influence,

and there is no question but that our representative's influence at Washington is growing.

We publish this statement simply that the people may know the facts, and with not the least apprehension that Mr. Thomas will not be renominated. As the district now stands there is apparently but little opposition to his return, and we believe that this will vanish before the nominating convention, and that he will be renominated, as he deserves to be, by acclamation.

DEMOCRAT.

THE MERGER SUIT.

Permission Granted the State of Washington to Sue the Northern Securities Company.

Washington, April 21.—The United States supreme court today granted leave to the state of Washington to file an original bill for an injunction against the Great Northern Railroad Company, the Northern Pacific Railroad Company and the Northern Securities Company in accordance with the petition of that state recently filed in the court.

The opinion in the case was delivered by Chief Justice Fuller, who stated that the court always exercised the utmost care in its proceedings in original cases and that the present decision to grant leave to file was intended to be entirely without prejudice to either party at interest.

The chief justice's opinion was very brief and consisted of review of original cases of the same character which have been brought to the attention of the court. The two most important of the cases thus cited were the case of the state of Louisiana versus the state of Texas concerning the quarantine regulation of the latter state in which leave was given to file, and the state of Minnesota versus the Northern Securities Company in which the petition to file was denied.

Referring to the latter case he said the petition had been refused because of the inseparable objection that indispensable parties to the case could not be brought into the court. This objection did not, however, confront the court in the present case and the court felt that because of its desire to proceed with the utmost care and deliberation in all cases where original actions are brought in this court, the precedent of the Louisiana-Texas case should be followed rather than that of the Minnesota case in the present instance. Hence leave to file would be granted and subpoenas would be issued returnable on the first day of the next term of the court in October.

Every Healthy Boy.

Likes to get himself into places of danger. Hence bruises, strains and sprains. Mother scolds and brings out the bottle of Perry Davis' Painkiller.

And rubs it on the injured spots with an energy and frequency depending on the seriousness of the case. There is nothing like Painkiller to take out the soreness. There is but one Painkiller, Perry Davis'. Price 25c. and 50c.

COTTON MILL COMBINATION.

Plan to Consolidate Many Mills of this State and South Carolina.

Charlotte, N. C., April 21.—A special to the Observer says:

"Henry E. Fries, of Winston-Salem, is securing options on over twenty mills in this state and South Carolina in order to place them in a combination company under a New Jersey charter. The plan is that this company shall acquire these mills, paying for properties at the rate of 60 per cent. in the cumulative preferred stock and 40 per cent. in bonds. It is proposed to issue \$7,000,000 of cumulative preferred stock."

Joseph Morehead whose headquarters are in Elgin, Ore., writes, "Last fall I came down here, attracted by the rich strikes in the Baker City fields. On my arrival I heard a 'fairy story' of a 'lost lake' in the Blue Mountains which was said to be fabulously rich in coarse gold. The story had all the 'ear marks' of the 'lost mine' and 'lost cabin' stories to be heard in every mining district; prospector driven out by Indians, brought pocket full of nuggets with him, died and left the customary rough sketch of the locality, etc., etc."

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So with my former experience in mind I got five packages of Grape-Nuts, and some packages of Postum Coffee which, with a little sugar and salt were all the supplies I took with me, and for nine days laborious climbing over the roughest country out of doors I had nothing else except an occasional trout caught from the stream. I came back feeling first class and am offering to bet that I can average thirty miles a day over mountain trails with thirty pounds of blankets, etc., on nothing but Grape-Nuts."

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SSS SKIN DISEASES



The skin is provided with millions of little pores and glands invisible to the natural eye, yet through these tiny outlets the larger part of the deadly matter that daily collects in the body is carried off. But nature never intended that poisons of an irritating or acid character should be eliminated through the skin, the Liver and Kidneys being their natural outlets, and it is when these important organs fail to perform their functions that these acid poisons are absorbed into the blood and find their way to the surface of the body through the pores and glands of the skin, producing intense itching and burning, inflammation and swelling, and eruptions of every conceivable size, shape and character.

Skin Diseases differ greatly in their general characteristics and degrees of intensity. Red and angry looking spots break out upon some part of the body with a mass of small pustules or blisters, from which is discharged a clear or straw colored fluid, which dries and flakes off in bran-like particles and scales, or forms into hard and painful sores and scabs. The skin often hardens and dries, cracks and bleeds from the effects of the fiery acids, which the blood is continually throwing off. Pimples, blackheads and blotches are evidences of a too acid blood, which has inflamed and clogged the pores.

Skin Diseases being dependent upon the same causes require the same treatment, which must be constitutional and not external. Nothing applied locally to the inflamed surface can bring much relief. The disfiguring eruptions will continue to annoy and pain you in spite of soaps, washes or powders. There is no hope of getting rid of a skin disease except through the purification of the depreciated blood and neutralizing and filtering out of the circulation all poisonous substances and acids.

The purifying and tonic properties of S. S. S. soon manifest their influence in skin affections; the debilitated system is invigorated and toned up, and the gradual disappearance of the eruptions show that the polluted blood is being brought back to its natural purity and strength. Old chronic skin disorders, which have resisted all the ordinary methods of treatment, readily yield to the curative powers of S. S. S., and there is no reason why the long time sufferer should feel resigned to his fate under the mistaken idea that some skin diseases are incurable, for S. S. S. has cured and is still curing cases perhaps far more desperate than yours. S. S. S. is a purely vegetable remedy, containing no Potash, Arsenic or any of the poisonous drugs which constitute the basis of so many so-called skin cures.

Our Medical Department has been of the greatest assistance to thousands seeking relief from blood and skin troubles. Write us fully about your case, and our physicians will help you, for which no charge whatever is made. Our illustrated Book on Skin Diseases will be sent free to all who write for it.

THE SWIFT SPECIFIC COMPANY, ATLANTA, GA.

LOST LAKE

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FAYETTEVILLE MARRIAGES.

Cromatie-Myrover. Porter-Borden. Railroad Headquarters—Escort for the Governor—Current Topics.

(Correspondence of The Messenger.)

Fayetteville, April 17.

At 8:20 o'clock last evening, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Myrover, on Haymount, Rev. H. T. Graham, pastor of the Presbyterian church, performing the simple and beautiful ceremony. Miss Urbana D. Myrover was married to Mr. D. L. Cromatie, of Bladen, young folks who have hundreds of warm friends in the Cape Fear district to wish them happiness.

Mrs. W. G. Hall, the accomplished organist of the Presbyterian church, rendered at the piano the Nuptial march, Lohengrin and Mendelssohn before, during and after the entrance of the bride party into the parlor. The best man was Mr. G. J. Cromatie, of Jacksonville, Fla., the maid of honor Miss Laura M. Myrover, and the attendants Mr. Henry L. Myrover, of Jacksonville, Fla., and Misses Marion Miller, of Danbury, N. C., and Jane Myrover. The decorations of the rooms were tasteful, and the wedding gifts were profuse and valuable. Misses Catherine and Ellen Cromatie and Ellen Parker, of Garland, N. C., came up to attend the marriage.

Another charming home marriage was solemnized at the residence of the bride's family, Moore street, in the union of Prof. J. E. Porter, the scholarly principal of the Holt-Morgan academy, and Miss Georgia Borden, one of the beautiful girls of Fayetteville, the ceremony performed by Rev. S. J. Porter, pastor of the First Baptist church.

Mr. C. J. Brown, of Southern Pines, one of the promoters of the railway line projected between that place and this point, has established an office on Letterlie's row on Donaldson street. He has for years labored zealously in this enterprise, and is welcomed heartily by our people.

On Monday afternoon, on the arrival of Governor Aycock and other prominent men from different parts of the state, the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry will form an escort of honor to the Hotel LaFayette.

A side track is being laid from the Atlantic Coast Line railroad to the warehouse of the Huske Hardware Company on upper Hay street.

Major J. G. Hollingsworth, commanding company A. of the State Guards, and Mr. E. E. Gorham will attend the reunion of Confederate veterans at Dallas, Texas.

Messrs. W. C. Troy and W. G. Sutton have been out in the country for a day or two, and possibly something may "drop" in moonshining circles.

Mr. Dwight Ashley, of Paterson, N. J., has been here within the past day or two—doubtless arranging the preliminaries for the construction of the second silk mill of his company at this point.

Captain and Mrs. A. Garrison are making a visit to Red Springs.

NORTH CAROLINA.

There are over 420 men in Granville and 3,000 in Guilford who have not paid their poll-tax. They will "get left" if they don't hurry up.

It is stated in the Record that the Southern's ticket office in Greensboro took in \$240,000 during last year, or over \$10,000 more than Lynchburg, and considerably more than any city between Washington and Atlanta.

Greensboro Telegram: There is talk of a street railway connecting Greensboro, Winston and High Point. The project appears a trifle visionary but it is being discussed all the while. The three places mentioned are hustling towns and they will talk at an undertaking that isn't altogether impracticable.

Mt. Airy News: The representative of the Oxford Orphan's Friend, Miss Sarah Howard, secured over eighty subscribers in this place and at the Mt. Airy Granite Quarries last week.

The frost Friday morning was a fruit killer, but the weather has been cold so long that very few trees are in bloom.

Brownsville Eagle: Col. S. W. Black's residence and smokehouse and their entire contents near Micaville, were destroyed by fire Sunday. Col. Black and family were away from home at the time and it is not known how the fire started. He carried an insurance of about \$200. This is his second loss by fire, he having his home burned about ten years ago.

Last week the following is reported as new enterprises in our state: Machine shops and overall factory at Wilmington; cross-arm factory at Danah; bleaching and dye works at Fayetteville; knitting mill at Oxford; brick works at Rocky Mount; weaving mill at Salisbury; cotton seed oil mill at Fayetteville, and an increase in the capacity of an overall and suspended factory at Walkertown.

Charlotte Observer: There was an educational rally held at LaGrange this morning. It is conservatively estimated that there were 1,500 people in attendance. Large numbers came from New Bern, Kinston and intermediate points. Governor Aycock delivered the address and being in fine trim his effort was a masterly one. It is thought great good will result from these meetings.

Gastonia Gazette: If Mr. J. Labas Rhyme had reached home from church five minutes later last Sunday, he would now, he says, be without a house and home. He and Mrs. Rhyme went to church as usual Sunday morning, leaving the children at home. When they returned they found the elder children out of the house, and the little ones playing with the fire. They had scattered it well over the floor and it was about to get to burning. "Five minutes more," said Mr. Rhyme, "and my house would have been gone."

Messrs. Walter L. Head and Hunter Craig have some hens that lay good also and here is their record. Mr. Head has 15 hens, Black Langshans and Buff Langshans which have laid in one month 261 eggs, an average of 17 eggs per hen for the month. Mr. Craig's record, though not quite so good as Mr. Head's is well worth mentioning. From 14 hens of the same stock, he received in one month 205 eggs.